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NOTIFICATION

Whereas draft of certain rules further to amend the Sikkim Excise (Prohibited sites for Liquor Shops) Rules, 1996 were published as required by sub-section (1) of section 76 of the Sikkim Excise Act, 1992(2 of 19920 in the Sikkim Government Gazette Extraordinary No. 80 dated 27/03/2021, vide Notification of Excise Department No. 03/Ex dated 25/03/2021, inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby before the expiry of 45 (forty-five) days from the date of publication in the Official Gazette;

And whereas no objections or suggestions have been received from the public in respect of the said draft rules before the expiry of the aforesaid period;

Now therefore in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 76 of the Sikkim Excise Act, 1992, the State Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Sikkim Excise (Prohibited Site for Liquor Shops) Rules, 1996, namely:-

Short title and commencement

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Sikkim Excise (Prohibited Sites for Liquors Shop) (Amendment) Rules, 2021
 - (3) They shall extend to the whole of Sikkim.
 - (2) They shall come into force with immediate effect.

Amendment of rule 4

- (1) In the Sikkim Excise (Prohibited Sites for Liquor Shops) Rules, 1996, for existing rule 4, the following rule shall be substituted namely:-
 - "(1) No liquor shop shall be licensed for retail, wholesale and consumption of liquor within a distance of 50 ft. (radius) from the hospital, places of worship, petrol pump, factories or other place of public resort, 300 ft. (radius) from the schools and 200 ft (radius) from colleges and any other educational institution and from police checkpost situated at the "border" and 100 ft (radius) from bus and taxi stands proceeding towards other districts and states."

- (2) The distance of existing 300 ft. from schools and 200 ft radius from colleges and other educational institutes is hence relaxed for the following areas:
- (a) Gangtok Mahatma Gandhi Marg:- Straight stretch from Metro Traffic Point to Namnang (till Dinodia's shop). This will not include old Children Park, Tibet Road area, Kazi Road area, Lal Bazzar area.
- (b) Singtam Straight Road stretch from Sikkim Nationalised Transport till the new Bridge leading to Adharsh Goan.
- (c) Melli Bazar -Straight Road stretch from Truck Stand of Melli Bazar to Chandra Jyoti Complex.
- (d) Namchi- Straight Road stretch after petrol pump, the entry point from Jorethang Road to Post Office, Namchi Bazar.
- (e) Gyalshing Sikkim Nationalised Transport Office to Naya Bazar."
- (f)Rongli- Straight Road stretch from Rongli Bridge to Bhanu Turning.
- (g) Lall Bazaar- Straight from Traffic Point to Butcher House (Ghosh Khan)
- (h) Hotels of 3, 4 and 5 stars category registered with Tourism Department."

Insertion of new rule 5

- 3. In the said new rule 5 the following rule shall be inserted namely;
 - 5 "Any individual/individual possessing Sikkim Subject Certificate/ Certificate of Identification in Rural Areas and Residential Certificate in Municipal Areas for desiring to obtain Excise license have to fulfill the criteria of rule 4 of the Sikkim Excise (prohibited Sites for Liquor shops) Rule, 1996.

Secretary Excise Department